

REMARKS

Consideration of this patent application as preliminarily amended is respectfully requested. Applicants thank the Examiner for the Examiner's comments in the Final Office Action, dated 19 October 2004, which have greatly assisted Applicants in
5 responding. Claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 13-16, 19-22, 24-26, and 28-30 are pending in the present application.

35 USC 112 Rejection

In the Final Office Action, Claims 1, 13, 24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in
10 such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or used the invention.

Applicants respectfully submit that the limitation of "using fuzzy fill procedure" was originally in the claims 4, 11, 17, 22 and 27. Applicants have amended the specification to address the Examiner's rejections. Applicants submit that Claims 1, 13, and 24
15 overcome the rejections and respectfully request allowance of the claims, as preliminarily amended.

In The Claims

Independent Claims 1, 13, and 24 have been preliminarily amended. No new matter has been entered. Support for the amendments can be found in the specification, for
20 example at page 5-7 of the specification.

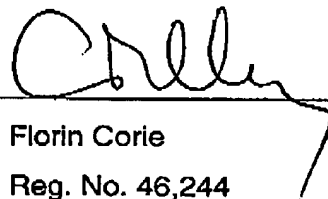
CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, Applicant considers the claimed invention to be distinguished from the art of record. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of all Claims as preliminarily amended.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1445. If there are any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact the undersigned at 650-474-8400.

Respectfully submitted,

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